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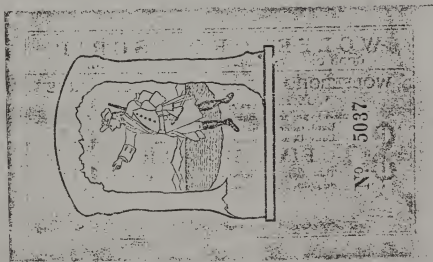
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N. H. N. A. FALL MEETING AT NASHUA COIN CLUB SHOW

The second semi-annual Nashua Coin Club Coin and Stamp Show will be held Sept. 29-30 1990 at St. Philip Church Hall, Exit 5W off Everett Turnpike, 500 West Hollis St. (Rt. 111 Nashua, N. H. Show will be open 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. Saturday with the fall meeting of New Hampshire Numismatic Assn. to be held at 6 P.M.

The show will be open from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. on Sunday with raffle drawing at 3 P.M. Sunday. There will be about 50 dealers with bourse tables and a convenient food concession. Admission will be 50¢ with children under 12 free. Gary Galbo, Box 7848, Nashua, N. H. 03060 is bourse chairman.

Any club interested in hosting the 1991 Spring show of N.H.N. A. should make it know at the meeting Saturday at 6 P.M.

DEATH TAKES CHARTER MEMBERS

Walter Hayden, Charter member #47 and Paul Moore, Charter Member #86 and Life member #55 died past year. Your editor is proud to have known Mr. Hayden, a fine gentleman and numismatist.

Paul Moore was charter Member #8 in N. H. Collectors' Club and one of the five founders in 1947. He was past president and treasurer of the club. He supported the Tri-State Collectors Exhibition with some very interesting exhibits and had a bourse table at the show for many years.

We extend our sympathy to the families of these departed members and hope some of the interest in numismatics rubbed off on those left behind.

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TRI-STATE COLLECTORS' EXHIBITION OCT. 27-28 IN CONCORD, N.H.

The 35th annual Tri-State Collectors' Exhibition will be held in Concord Community Center, 39 Green St, Concord, N.H. (back of police station and City Hall) Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 27 and 28., from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. An auction will be conducted by Fred McPhail starting at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Governor's trophy and many other fine awards are offered for exhibits of stamps, coins and other collectibles. Robert I. Wester, 110 Woods Lane, Concord, N.H. 03301 is exhibit chairman and invited everyone to exhibit. He will send a brochure with exhibit classes, score card, and list of trophies to anyone interested in exhibiting. His phone is (603) 226-2450. Show cases and frames are available.

Bourse chairman Kenneth Pancher, 14 Rosedale St, Hooksett, N. H. expects to have over 30 bourse dealers with coins, stamps, and other items for sale. Frederick Brofos, Warner, has prepared a show cover which will bear a special exhibition station cancellation and feature the world's first postage stamp. We also expect to have wooden nickels.

NUMISMATIC CALENDAR

Sept. 29-30 Nashua Coin Club Show, St. Philip Church, Exit 5W, Everett Turnpike, (Rt. 111)

Oct. 19, 20, 21 New England Numismatic Assn. Convention, Mount Carmel Recreation Center, Worcester, Mass. Exit 16 from Rt 290.

Oct. 27-28, Tri-State Collectors' Exhibition Concord Community Center, 39 Green St., Concord

Fourth Sunday shows are held each month at Holiday Inn, traffic Circle, Portsmouth, N.H.

Oct. 27-28 Coin and Stamp show, Bangor, Maine

PUBLICIZE YOUR FAVORITE HOBBY

Enjoy the satisfaction of having your article published in the Nonagon. You will help others to appreciate the collection which you have spent time and money on and doubtless learn more about it in the process. Send your articles to Wayne S. Rich, Box 391, Concord, N.H. 03302 and see it in print.

N. H. N UMISMATICS

Thanks to Lenny Finn we are able to show pictures of \$1 and \$5 depression scrip issued in Wolfeboro, N. H. in 1933. (Inside front cover). At the bottom is shown the reverse of the \$5. scrip. The \$1. had similar reverse but is numbered #1573. I expect this is supposed to represent Governor Wentworth who had a summer home in Wolfeboro. The secretary's signature is very faint on both pieces but is M. B. Avery, I believe. These seem to be very scarce.

The Goody Cole Medal

A most interesting medal was issued in 1938 for the Hampton, N. H. 300th anniversary. It is in the shape of an arrow head and in antique bronze finish. On one side is the town seal which has a shield at the center with 3 cinquefoils and Wampanumet on ribbon below. On top of the shield is a church, to the left is a bluff on the seacoast (I think) and to the right are 3 stacks of marsh hay (which look like acorns). Inside the circle which borders the seal is "TOWN OF HAMPTON, N. H. / SETTLED 1638 INCORPORATED 1639". Outside the circle is "HAMPTON, N.H. TERCENTENARY/ 1638-1938".

The reverse has at the top "HAMPTON BEACH". In the center is shown an old lady with bonnet and below this "Eunice (GOODY) COLE" Around the outside is "CONVICTED OF WITCHCRAFT IN 1656/ RESTORED TO CITIZENSHIP IN 1938". The medal is rather scarce. Art Moody of Hampton has only seen one which was recovered from a sewer. He says it polished up nice and shines like gold. I bought one in an auction of a lawyer's estate in Concord. It was in a bag with foreign coins, tokens, etc. and cost me plenty as someone else was determined to buy the lot. However, another collector picked one up recently at a reasonable price.

The "Goody" Cole story is what makes this medal most interesting. She was the only person convicted of witchcraft in New Hampshire. Dow's history of Hampton, gives us some details. Eunice "Goody" Cole was reported to be ill natured, ugly, artful, aggravating, malicious, and revengeful so perhaps the only person who loved her was her husband who said he deeded all his property to her so she would not leave him.

In the Norfolk, Mass court which was the county seat for Hampton then, it was testified that she said there was a witch in town and she knew where "hee" dwelt, and that she knew about a child that had been changed from a man to an ape. Sobriety Moulton and Goodwife Sile were talking about that child when they heard something scraping on the boards or windows of the house, but they could see nothing although sound was so loud there would have been some scratched left if it were a dog or cat scratching. Tom Philbrick said if any of his calves ate her grass she wished it might "peysen" them, and he never saw one of his calves after. Abraham Drake deposed that he and others found her cow and brought it home and she desired to "flee the cow, and presently she charged me with killing her cow. He lost two cattle forthwith and one later. She was found guilty and sentenced to be whipped and imprisoned. He complained that she was punished twice. William Prince said that tradition is that she was led out of town behind an ox cart. Art Moody says there is a legend that water from a well or spring near the Cole home was sought by sailors for its magic powers.

The town of Hampton was supposed to pay her board at the prison in Boston and July 1, 1664, when the town was behind in their payment, a selectman, Tom Marston, was arrested to secure payment. In 1659 Goody's husband had petitioned the town for support saying he had deeded all his property to his wife so she would not leave him and he could not support himself. The town agreed to take over the property and support both of them. So now the town agreed to use what was left of the property to pay toward the jail bill and pay rest out of fines etc. Boar was 8 pounds a year in 1665. When her husband was sick she asked to be released to care for her husband but was not released until 1671, three years after he died. Inhabitants were required to supply food and fuel for 1 week in turn.

In 1672 she was arrested again accused of appearing as a dog, eagle cat, etc. and enticing a young girl to live with her, and she was jailed again for trial. The court released her with this statement: "In yo case of Unis Cole the prisoner is found not guilty according to indictment but just ground of vehement "suspissyen" of having "famillyarty" with the devil. She returned to Hampton scorned, persecuted, hated, and feared. She died

"GOODY" COLE (Continued)

about 1380 and was buried by a vengeful mob with a stick topped with a horseshoe driven through her heart (according to legend). Another legend says her body was later removed secretly by kinhearted residents and properly buried near today's Meeting House Green.

In 1937 James Tucker Sr., executive secretary of the Hampton Beach chamber of Commerce, his daughter Phyllis, William D. Cram, and a few friends formed "The Society for Apprehension of Those Falsely Accusing Eunice 'Goody' Cole of Having Familiarity with the Devil". They succeeded in passing at the 1938 Town Meeting a resolution restoring Goody Cole to her rightful place as a citizen of Hampton, and authorized a public ceremony when all official documents related to the false accusations would be burned. The town meeting vote though unanimous was not without some controversy. Arnold Philbrick of Haverhill, Mass., descendant of an early accuser of Goody suggested that the meeting would condemn "the pious folk of the 17th century for adopting a belief that had been prevalent in educated Europe for many years. The importance of this event was stressed by Mrs. Harry Houdini who came from California for the ceremony and said her late husband would thank everyone responsible for this historic event."

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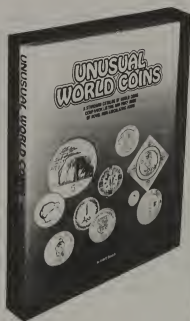
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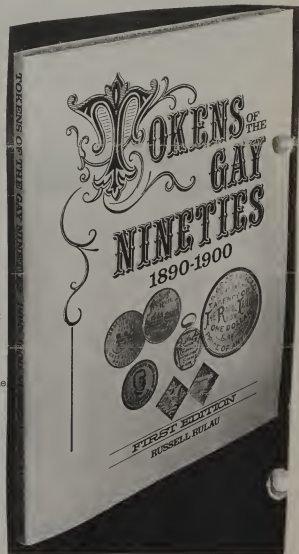
Perhaps their most impressive publications are the set of 4 volumes on U. S. Obsolete Bank Notes. This set has been out a little over a year and prices of notes at auction reflect increased interest in these notes.

Illustrated on this page is the cover of one of their series on tokens, *Tokens of the Gay Nineties*. These books are very helpful to token collectors and others who may come across such items. This book lists several tokens that were issued for the 50th anniversary of Manchester, N. H. in 1896.

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